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TAGS: EFIN, FR, BE

SUBJ: BELGIAN DISCONTENT OVER FLOATING OF FRENCH FRANC

REF: BRUSSELS 556

DURING INITIAL COURTESY CALL, NEW BELGIAN AMBASSADOR
JACQUES DESCHAMPS FULLY CONFIRMED TO ME BELGIAN UNHAPPINESS
AT FRENCH DECISION TO FLOAT FRANC AS REPORTED IN
REFTEL. DESCHAMPS ADDED THAT GOB WAS PREPARED TO TAKE
VIGOROUS ANTI-FRENCH STAND IN PUBLIC, BUT WAS COUNSELED
AGAINST THIS TACTIC BY FRG. GERMANS ARGUED THAT A
PUBLIC QUARREL COULD DESTROY THE EC AT THIS CRITICAL
PERIOD AND MAINTAINED THAT QUIET BUT FIRM PRESSURE FROM
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PARIS' EC PARTNERS WAS THE BEST WAY TO BRING THE FRENCH

AROUND. AGAIN CONFIRMING REFTTEL, DESCHAMPS ADDED THAT
BELGIAN PATIENCE WITH THE FRENCH WAS AT THE BREAKING
POINT. FARKAS

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